

Resolution No.:	18-157
Introduced:	May 21, 2015
Adopted:	May 21, 2015

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2016 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

Background

1. Section 17-202 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code requires the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) each year to submit proposed capital and operating budgets to the County Executives of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties for their recommendations. The Executives in turn transmit the budgets to the respective County Councils for amendment and approval. Both Councils, through joint action, may recommend rates for water consumption and sewer use charges and ad valorem tax levies as the Councils deem necessary.
2. The Montgomery County Council on October 21, 2014, by Resolution No. 17-1250 recommended the following spending control limits for the FY16 Water and Sewer Capital and Operating Budgets:

Water and Sewer Rate Increase	2.1%
New Water and Sewer Debt	\$442,533,000
Water and Sewer Debt Service	\$235,483,000
Water and Sewer Operating Fund Expenditures	\$701,846,000

3. The Prince George's County Council on October 28, 2014 by Resolution No. CR-102-2014 recommended the following limits.

Water and Sewer Rate Increase	2.1%
New Water and Sewer Debt	\$442,533,000
Water and Sewer Debt Service	\$235,483,000
Water and Sewer Operating Fund Expenditures	\$701,845,000

4. In accordance with Section 17-202 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code, the WSSC submitted to the Executives of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties the

- proposed capital and operating budgets for FY 2016 and the record of the public hearing held by the Commission on those budgets.
5. The Executives of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties transmitted to the respective Councils their recommendations on the Commission's proposed budgets.
 6. The Montgomery County Council advertised and held public hearings on the Commission's proposed budgets on April 14, 15, and 16, 2015.
 7. The Montgomery County Council recommended approval of the Commission's FY 2016 Capital Budget with the following changes: revise each of the Commission's Blue Plains Wastewater Treatment Plant projects to reflect more recent approved District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (DCWater) budget information and delete the requested Piscataway WWTP Post Lime System and Piscataway WWTP Backup Generators projects. The Montgomery County Council recommended approval of the Commission's FY 2016 Operating Budget with the following changes: reduce funding for salary enhancements from \$5.8 million to \$3.74 million for general COLAs and merits and include \$261,900 for lump sum contractual payments for IT personnel in FY16. Compensation savings from the above changes are to be reallocated to PAYGO. Debt service expenses are also increased by \$91,000 based on the Capital Budget actions noted above. These recommendations were transmitted to the Prince George's County Council by letter dated May 5, 2015.
 8. The Prince George's County Council advertised and held a public hearing on the Commission's proposed budgets on April 14, 2015.
 9. The Prince George's County Council recommended approval of the Commission's FY 2016 Capital Budget with the following changes: revise each of the Commission's Blue Plains Wastewater Treatment Plant projects to reflect more recent approved District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (DCWater) budget information and delete the requested Piscataway WWTP Post Lime System and Piscataway WWTP Backup Generators projects. The Prince George's County Council recommended approval of the Commission's FY 2016 Operating Budget with the following changes: reduce funding for salary enhancements from \$5.8 million to \$3.74 million for general COLAs and merits and include \$261,900 for lump sum contractual payments for IT personnel in FY16. Compensation savings from the above changes are to be reallocated to PAYGO. Debt service expenses are also increased by \$91,000 based on the Capital Budget actions noted above. These recommendations were transmitted to the Montgomery County Council by letter dated May 7, 2014.
 10. On May 7, 2014, the Montgomery County and Prince George's County Councils jointly reviewed and approved the WSSC capital and operating budgets agreeing on all proposed changes.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

1. The following amounts and workyears are approved for the budget of the WSSC for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

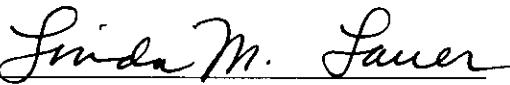
	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Capital</u>
Salaries and Wages	\$111,964,000	\$ 26,503,000
Heat, Light & Power	23,353,000	--
Regional Sewage Disposal	54,895,000	--
Contract Work	--	421,992,000
Consulting Engineers	--	57,912,000
All Other Items	269,651,000	178,225,000
Debt Service	<u>255,310,000</u>	--
Total	<u>\$715,173,000</u>	<u>\$684,632,000</u>
Workyears Authorized:	1,747	

2. The Capital Budget includes the first year of the FY 2016-2021 Capital Improvements Program as detailed in Appendix A (Water) and Appendix B (Sewerage), which are attached and incorporated.
3. In adopting WSSC's FY 2016 operating budget, the Counties and the Commission recognize that although total operating debt service is \$255,310,000 and equals 35.7% of the total operating budget, water and sewer operating debt service, the portion of debt service supported by water and sewer rate revenues, is \$235,574,000 or 34.0% of the water and sewer operating budget.
4. The Montgomery County Council recommends that the Commission establish water consumption and sewer use rates and charges as detailed in Appendix C, effective July 1, 2015. These rates reflect a combined average rate increase of 1.0 percent over FY15 rates.
5. The Montgomery County Council recommends that the Commission establish the account maintenance fee for all customers as detailed in Appendix D, effective July 1, 2015.
6. The Montgomery County Council recommends that the Commission establish the infrastructure investment fee for all customers as detailed in Appendix E, effective July 1, 2015.
7. The Montgomery County Council recommends that the Commission establish a customer assistance program, effective July 1, 2015, consistent with House Bill 1234 enacted by the Maryland General Assembly during its 2015 legislative session.
8. The Commission may adopt certain miscellaneous fees and charges as detailed in Appendix F, effective July 1, 2015, and the Commission may delegate to the General

Manager the authority to adopt any new fees and charges that may be needed between that date and adoption of the FY 2017 Budget.

9. WSSC will initiate, with consultant support, a benchmarking study of its major cost centers to compare its various operations to other water and sewer utilities throughout the country. Both Councils will be briefed on the results of this study and will jointly decide whether to pursue any additional phases of review.
10. Any supplement to the WSSC approved FY 2016 Budget must be submitted in accordance with §17-202 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code.
11. The Commission must acknowledge the recommendations of the respective County governing bodies regarding certain policies, procedures, and practices, and must:
 - a) obtain the approval of both Councils before increasing operating expenditures above \$715,173,000;
 - b) obtain the approval of both Councils before transferring any funds from any approved expenditure category in the operating or capital budget which exceeds 5% of the approved amount. This transfer authority does not apply to the amount approved for debt service; and
 - c) furnish monthly status reports to each Council and Executive on the fiscal and budgetary activities of the Commission under the approved operating and capital budgets, starting with the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year. These reports must be submitted not later than 45 days after the last day of each month.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

**FY'16 ESTIMATES FOR
SIX-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - WATER**
(In Thousands)

<u>PROJECT NUMBER</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>LAND AND RIGHTS OF WAY</u>	<u>PLANNING/ DESIGN FEES</u>	<u>CONSTRUCTION COSTS</u>	<u>OTHER COSTS</u>	<u>FY'16 TOTAL</u>
MONTGOMERY COUNTY						
W-3.02	Oiney Standpipe Replacement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 155	\$ 1,833	\$ 298
W-46.14	Clarksburg Area Stage 3 Water Main, Parts 1, 2, & 3	-	-	451	1,072	228
W-46.15	Clarksburg Elevated Water Storage Facility	-	-	110	-	17
W-46.18	Newcut Road Water Main, Part 2	-	-	20	100	18
W-46.24	Clarksburg Area Stage 3 Water Main, Part 4	-	-	120	879	150
W-46.26	Clarksburg Area Stage 3 Water Main, Part 5	-	-	15	113	19
W-90.04	Brink Zone Reliability Improvements	-	-	285	300	88
W-138.02	Shady Grove Standpipe Replacement	-	-	49	2,875	439
MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUBTOTALS		\$ -	\$ 1,205	\$ 7,172	\$ 1,257	\$ 9,634
BI-COUNTY						
W-73.19	Potomac WFP Outdoor Substation No. 2 Replacement	-	-	380	4,400	478
W-73.21	Potomac WFP Corrosion Mitigation	-	-	195	4,500	470
W-73.22	Potomac WFP Pre-Filter Chlorination & Air Scour Improvements	-	-	20	200	33
W-73.30	Potomac WFP Submerged Channel Intake	-	-	1,000	-	100
W-73.32	Potomac WFP Main Zone Pipeline	-	-	400	-	40
W-127.01	Bi-County Water Tunnel	-	-	120	901	102
W-139.02	Duckett & Brighton Dam Upgrades	-	-	94	515	61
W-161.01	Large Diameter Water Pipe Rehabilitation Program	-	-	4,097	41,896	2,300
W-172.05	Patuxent WFP Phase II Expansion	-	-	1,688	12,000	684
W-172.07	Patuxent Raw Water Pipeline	-	-	207	2,607	281
W-172.08	Rocky Gorge Pump Station Upgrade	-	-	633	5,008	564
W-202.00	Land & Rights-of-Way Acquisition - Bi-County	1,125	\$ 8,834	\$ 72,027	\$ 5,113	\$ 87,099
BI-COUNTY SUBTOTALS		\$ 1,125	\$ 8,834	\$ 72,027	\$ 5,113	\$ 87,099

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W-46.14	Clarksburg Area Stage 3 Water Main, Parts 1, 2, & 3	-	451	1,072	-	2,286
W-46.15	Clarksburg Elevated Water Storage Facility	-	110	-	17	1,751
W-46.18	Newcut Road Water Main, Part 2	-	20	100	18	127
W-46.24	Clarksburg Area Stage 3 Water Main, Part 4	-	120	879	150	1,149
W-46.25	Clarksburg Area Stage 3 Water Main, Part 5	-	15	113	19	147
W-90.04	Brink Zone Reliability Improvements	-	285	300	88	673
W-138.02	Shady Grove Standpipe Replacement	-	49	2,875	439	3,363
MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUBTOTALS		\$ -	\$ 1,205	\$ 7,172	\$ 1,257	\$ 9,634
BI-COUNTY						
W-73.19	Potomac WFP Outdoor Substation No. 2 Replacement	-	380	4,400	478	5,258
W-73.21	Potomac WFP Corrosion Mitigation	-	195	4,500	470	5,165
W-73.22	Potomac WFP Pre-Filter Chlorination & Air Scour Improvements	-	20	200	33	253
W-73.30	Potomac WFP Submerged Channel Intake	-	1,000	-	100	1,100
W-73.32	Potomac WFP Main Zone Pipeline	-	400	-	40	440
W-127.01	Bi-County Water Tunnel	-	120	901	102	1,123
W-139.02	Ducket & Brighton Dam Upgrades	-	94	515	61	670
W-161.01	Large Diameter Water Pipe Rehabilitation Program	-	4,097	41,896	2,300	48,293
W-172.05	Patuxent WFP Phase II Expansion	-	1,688	12,000	684	14,372
W-172.07	Patuxent Raw Water Pipeline	-	207	2,607	281	3,095
W-172.08	Rocky Gorge Pump Station Upgrade	-	633	5,008	564	6,205
W-202.00	Land & Rights-of-Way Acquisition - Bi-County	1,125	-	-	-	1,125
BI-COUNTY SUBTOTALS		\$ 1,125	\$ 8,834	\$ 72,027	\$ 5,113	\$ 87,099

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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY						
W-12.02	Prince George's County HG415 Zone Water Main	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 159	\$ 1,620	\$ 267
W-34.02	Old Branch Avenue Water Main	244	-	-	24	268
W-34.03	Water Transmission Improvements 385B Pressure Zone	400	-	-	40	440
W-34.04	Branch Avenue Water Transmission Improvements	700	10,000	1,605	12,305	
W-34.05	Marlboro Zone Reinforcement Main	-	1,167	175	1,342	
W-62.05	Clinton Zone Water Storage Facility Implementation	250	-	25	275	
W-65.10	St. Barnabas Elevated Tank Replacement	600	6,950	1,132	8,682	
W-84.02	Ritchie Marlboro Road Transmission Main & PRV	400	-	40	440	
W-84.05	Prince George's County 450A Zone Water Main	350	-	35	385	
W-111.05	Hillmeade Road Water Main	48	1,961	301	2,310	
W-119.01	John Hanson Highway Water Main, Part 1	101	1,197	195	1,493	
W-123.20	Oak Grove/Leeland Roads Water Main, Part 2	20	2,000	302	2,322	
W-129.12	Church Road Water Main, Part 2	10	159	25	194	
W-137.02	South Potomac Supply Improvement	664	5,067	573	6,304	
W-147.00	Collington Elevated Water Storage Facility	50	2,038	208	2,296	
W-197.00	DSP & Conceptual Design Water Projects	303	1,498	269	2,070	
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SUBTOTALS						
		\$ 4,299	\$ 33,657	\$ 5,216	\$ 43,172	
GRAND TOTAL WATER PROJECTS						
		\$ 1,125	\$ 14,338	\$ 112,856	\$ 11,586	\$ 139,905

APPENDIX B
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**FY'16 ESTIMATES FOR
SIX-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - SEVER**
(In Thousands)

<u>PROJECT NUMBER</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>LAND AND RIGHTS OF WAY</u>	<u>PLANNING/DESIGN FEES</u>	<u>CONSTRUCTION COSTS</u>	<u>OTHER COSTS</u>	<u>FY16 TOTAL</u>
MONTGOMERY COUNTY						
S-25.03	Twinbrook Commons Sewer	\$ -	\$ 8	\$ 130	\$ 21	\$ 159
S-25.04	Mid-Pike Plaza Sewer Main, Phase 1	\$ -	\$ 7	\$ 25	\$ 5	\$ 37
S-25.05	Mid-Pike Plaza Sewer Main, Phase 2	\$ -	\$ 247	\$ 2,455	\$ 405	\$ 3,107
S-38.01	Preserve at Rock Creek Wastewater Pumping Station	\$ -	\$ 84	\$ 507	\$ 89	\$ 680
S-38.02	Preserve at Rock Creek WWPS Force Main	\$ -	\$ 10	\$ 120	\$ 20	\$ 150
S-53.21	Seneca WWTP Enhanced Nutrient Removal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ 2	\$ 22
S-53.22	Seneca WWTP Expansion, Part 2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ 2	\$ 22
S-84.47	Clarksburg Triangle Outfall Sewer, Part 2	\$ -	\$ 12	\$ 471	\$ 72	\$ 555
S-84.60	Cabin Branch Wastewater Pumping Station	\$ -	\$ 75	\$ 315	\$ 59	\$ 449
S-84.61	Cabin Branch WWPS Force Main	\$ -	\$ 27	\$ 97	\$ 19	\$ 143
S-84.65	Tapestry Wastewater Pumping Station	\$ -	\$ 33	\$ 161	\$ 29	\$ 223
S-84.66	Tapestry WWPS Force Main	\$ -	\$ 8	\$ 32	\$ 6	\$ 46
S-85.21	Shady Grove Station Sewer Augmentation	\$ -	\$ 11	\$ 1,022	\$ 155	\$ 1,188
S-103.16	Cabin John Trunk Sewer Relief	\$ -	\$ 378	\$ 1,937	\$ 347	\$ 2,662
MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUBTOTALS				\$ 7,312	\$ 1,231	\$ 9,443
BL-COUNTY						
S-22.06	Blue Plains WWTP: Liquid Train Projects, Part 2	\$ -	\$ 3,204	\$ 4,725	\$ 79	\$ 8,008
S-22.07	Blue Plains WWTP: Biosolids Management, Part 2	\$ -	\$ 1,315	\$ 3,198	\$ 45	\$ 4,558
S-22.09	Blue Plains WWTP: Plant-wide Projects	\$ -	\$ 1,958	\$ 3,960	\$ 59	\$ 5,977
S-22.10	Blue Plains WWTP: Enhanced Nutrient Removal	\$ -	\$ 9,920	\$ 54,718	\$ 646	\$ 65,284
S-22.11	Blue Plains: Pipelines & Appurtenances	\$ -	\$ 4,659	\$ 17,130	\$ 218	\$ 22,007

FY'16 ESTIMATES FOR
SIX-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - SEWER
(In Thousands)

<u>PROJECT NUMBER</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>LAND AND RIGHTS OF WAY</u>	<u>PLANNING/DESIGN FEES</u>	<u>CONSTRUCTION COSTS</u>	<u>OTHER COSTS</u>	<u>FY16 TOTAL</u>
BI-COUNTY (CONTINUED)						
S-103.02	Anaerobic Digestion/Combined Heat & Power	\$ -	\$ 7,416	\$ 6,180	\$ 680	\$ 14,276
S-170.08	Septage Discharge Facility Planning & Implementation	-	689	-	69	758
S-170.09	Trunk Sewer Reconstruction Program	-	29,686	133,400	28,780	191,866
S-203.00	Land & Rights-of-Way Acquisition - Bi-County	<u>112</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>112</u>
BI-COUNTY SUBTOTALS		<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 58,847</u>	<u>\$ 223,311</u>	<u>\$ 30,576</u>	<u>\$ 312,846</u>
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY						
S-43.02	Broad Creek WWPS Augmentation	\$ -	\$ 3,300	\$ 55,000	\$ 2,915	\$ 61,215
S-57.92	Western Branch Facility Upgrade	-	25	20	5	50
S-57.93	Western Branch WWTP Enhanced Nutrient Removal	-	25	20	5	50
S-57.94	Western Branch WWTP Incinerator Emissions Control	-	710	7,500	821	9,031
S-75.21	Mattawoman WWTP Upgrades	-	286	1,855	21	2,162
S-77.19	Parkway WWTP Biosolids Facility Plan Implementation	-	540	4,395	494	5,429
S-96.14	Piscataway WWTP Facility Upgrades	-	1,877	-	94	1,971
S-131.10	Fort Washington Forest No. 1 WWPS Augmentation	-	120	1,200	198	1,518
S-187.00	DSP & Conceptual Design Sewer Projects	-	413	2,173	388	2,974
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SUBTOTALS		<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,296</u>	<u>\$ 72,163</u>	<u>\$ 4,941</u>	<u>\$ 84,400</u>
GRAND TOTAL SEWER PROJECTS		<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 67,043</u>	<u>\$ 302,786</u>	<u>\$ 36,748</u>	<u>\$ 406,689</u>

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION
WATER AND SEWER RATE SCHEDULE

APPROVED FOR IMPLEMENTATION JULY 1, 2015

Average Daily Consumption by Customer Unit During Billing Period (Gallons Per Day)	Water Rates		Sewer Rates		Combined Water & Sewer Rates	
	July 1, 2014 Rates Per 1,000 Gallons	July 1, 2015 Rates Per 1,000 Gallons	July 1, 2014 Rates Per 1,000 Gallons	July 1, 2015 Rates Per 1,000 Gallons	July 1, 2014 Rates Per 1,000 Gallons	July 1, 2015 Rates Per 1,000 Gallons
0-49	\$ 3.17	\$ 3.20	\$ 4.22	\$ 4.26	\$ 7.39	\$ 7.46
50-99	3.54	3.57	4.93	4.98	8.47	8.55
100-149	3.89	3.94	5.75	5.80	9.64	9.74
150-199	4.36	4.41	6.63	6.69	10.99	11.10
200-249	5.10	5.16	7.23	7.29	12.33	12.45
250-299	5.53	5.59	7.83	7.90	13.36	13.49
300-349	5.85	5.92	8.35	8.42	14.20	14.34
350-399	6.09	6.16	8.76	8.84	14.85	15.00
400-449	6.33	6.40	8.96	9.04	15.29	15.44
450-499	6.50	6.58	9.24	9.32	15.74	15.90
500-749	6.62	6.70	9.43	9.51	16.05	16.21
750-999	6.78	6.86	9.64	9.72	16.42	16.58
1,000-3,999	6.91	6.99	10.05	10.14	16.96	17.13
4,000-6,999	7.07	7.15	10.28	10.37	17.35	17.52
7,000-8,999	7.16	7.25	10.43	10.52	17.59	17.77
9,000 & Greater	7.29	7.37	10.70	10.80	17.99	18.17

Flat Rate Sewer Charge - \$104.00 per quarter

ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE FEES

APPROVED FOR IMPLEMENTATION JULY 1, 2015

<u>Meter Size</u>		<u>Current FY'15 Quarterly Charges</u>	<u>Approved FY'16 Quarterly Charges</u>
<u>Small Meters</u>			
5/8" to 1-1/2"	(Residential)	\$ 11.00	\$ 16.00
<u>Large Meters</u>			
1-1/2"	(Commercial)	31.00	24.00
2"		51.00	27.00
3"		92.00	66.00
4"		145.00	142.00
6"		237.00	154.00
10"		458.00	246.00
<u>Detector Check Meters</u>			
2" to 4"		53.00	-
2"		-	33.00
4"		-	177.00
6"		73.00	255.00
8"		197.00	461.00
10"		256.00	633.00
<u>Fire Service Meters</u>			
4"		-	182.00
6"		-	293.00
8"		-	452.00
10"		-	682.00
12"		-	989.00

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT FEES**APPROVED FOR IMPLEMENTATION JULY 1, 2015**

<u>Meter Size</u>		<u>Current FY'15 Quarterly Charges</u>	<u>Approved FY'16 Quarterly Charges *</u>
<u>Small Meters</u>			
5/8"	(Residential)	\$ -	\$ 5.50
3/4"		-	6.00
1"		-	7.00
1-1/2"		-	59.50
<u>Large Meters</u>			
1-1/2"	(Commercial)	-	42.00
2"		-	92.50
3"		-	292.50
4"		-	406.50
6"		-	632.50
10"		-	2,212.50
<u>Fire Service Meters</u>			
4"		-	249.50
6"		-	308.00
8"		-	1,262.00
10"		-	1,357.00
12"		-	2,607.00

* The Infrastructure Investment Fee is to be phased in over two years. The proposed amount represents 50% of the total fee.
The full fee is proposed to be implemented in FY'17 and remain fixed over the existing five year period.

FY'16 APPROVED FEES AND CHARGES
(Effective July 1, 2015)

APPROVED CHARGE

1. INSPECTION FEES

Water/Sewer Connection Hookup, Well/Septic Hookup, Plumbing and Gasfitting Inspections	\$600	APPROVED CHARGE
New Single Family Detached Dwellings	600	
New Attached Dwellings (townhouse/multiplex excluding apartments)		
All Other Residential:		
Water/Well Hookup	85	
Meter Yoke Inspection (meter only installation)	85	
Water Hookup Converting from Well (includes 2 inspections)	170	
Sewer/Septic Hookup	85	
First Plumbing Fixture	85	
Each Additional Fixture	30	
SDC Credit Fixture Inspection (per fixture)	25	
Minimum Permit Fee	180	
Permit Reprocessing Fee	50	
Long Form Permit Refund Fee	170	
Long Form Permit Re-Issue Fee	180	
All Non-Residential:		
Plan Review (without Permit Application)	360	
50 Fixtures or Less	1,220	
51-200 Fixtures	2,430	
Over 200 Fixtures		
2 nd or 3 rd Review (with or without Permit Application)		
50 Fixtures or Less	145	
51-200 Fixtures	275	
Over 200 Fixtures	580	
Water/Well Hookup		
Meter Yoke Inspection (meter only installation)		
Sewer/Septic Hookup		
FOG Interceptor		
First Plumbing Fixture		
Each Additional Fixture		
SDC Credit Fixture Inspection (per fixture)		
Minimum Permit Fee		
Permit Reprocessing Fee		
Long Form Permit Refund Fee		
Long Form Permit Re-Issue Fee		

FY'16 APPROVED FEES AND CHARGES
(Effective July 1, 2015)

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APPROVED CHARGE

2. SITE UTILITY (ON-SITE) REVIEW FEE			
Base Fee	\$2,900		
Additional Fee per 100 feet	250		
Minor (Waived) Site Utility (On-Site) Fee	725		
3. LICENSE FEES FOR THE REGULATED TRADES			
Reciprocal Master Plumber, Gasfitter		\$85/2 years	
- Initial Registration per type		85/2 years	
- Registration Renewal all types		50	
- Late Registration Renewal		50	
Examined		105/4 years	
- Master Plumber, Gasfitter		105/4 years	
- Initial Registration per type		50	
- Registration Renewal all types		50	
- Late Registration Renewal		50	
Cross-Connection Technician Registration		25	
- Sewer and Drain Cleaner Registration and Renewal		40/2 years	
- Sewer and Drain Cleaner Late Registration Renewal		20	
Journeyman License		30/2 years	
- Initial Registration per type		30/2 years	
- Registration Renewal		20	
- Late Registration Renewal		20	
License Transfer Fee		30	
License Replacement Fee		15	
Apprentice License Registration/Renewal		10	
4. SHORT FORM PERMIT FEE (up to 3 fixtures) – Non-Refundable			

FY'16 APPROVED FEES AND CHARGES

(Effective July 1, 2015)

APPROVED CHARGE

5. FEE FOR SALE OF COPIES OF PLANS, PLATS & 200' REFERENCE MAPS

Xerographic
Sepia/Mylar

\$5.00/sheet
5.00/sheet

6. FEE FOR SALE OF WSSC PLUMBING AND FUEL GAS CODE (PLUMBING CODE) and Cross Connection Control Manual

Sale of Plumbing Regulation (per book)

\$30/book

7. SEPTIC HAULER DISCHARGE PERMIT STICKER

CATEGORY I

Residential & Septic Waste & Grease

1 -	49 Gallons
50 -	799 Gallons
800 -	2,999 Gallons
3,000	Gallons and Up

January through June

Transfer and/or Replacement Permit Sticker

Industrial/Special Waste Disposal Fee

Zero Discharge Permit Fee

Temporary Discharge Permit Fee

Sewer Rate – Domestic Low Strength Wastewater

Sewer Rate – Domestic High Strength Wastewater

8. LONG FORM PERMIT TRANSFER FEE

9. SMALL METER REPLACEMENT FEE (at Customer Request)

10. METER REPLACEMENT FEE (Damaged or Stolen Meter)

5/8"	Encoder (outside)	\$150
5/8"	Encoder	150
3/4"	Encoder (outside)	150
3/4"	Encoder	150
1"	Encoder (outside)	165
1"	Encoder	165
1-1/2"		680
2"	Standard	1,000

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3"	Compound	2,900
4"	Compound	3,600
6"	Compound	5,300
2"	MVR	1,100
3"	MVR	1,850
4"	MVR	2,650
6"	MVR	4,100
4"	FM w/2" MVR	7,000
6"	FM w/3" MVR	8,925
8"	FM w/4" MVR	10,450
10"	FM w/6" MVR	14,225
12"	FM	16,250
11. METER TESTING FEES		
5/8" to 1"		\$210
1-1/2"		365
2" and up		425
12. SUB-METER INSTALLATION FEES		
One-time Sub-Meter Charge - Small		\$225
One-time Sub-Meter Charge - Large		440
One-time Inspection Fee		50
Minimum Permit Inspection Fee		180
13. TAPPER LICENSE FEE		
Permit Fee	\$300	
Duplicate Fee	30	
14. TEMPORARY FIRE HYDRANT CONNECTION FEE		
3/4" Meter - Deposit		\$0
2 Weeks or Less w/approved payment record		340
Over 2 Weeks/Less than 2 weeks w/unapproved payment record		
3" Meter - Deposit		0
2 Weeks or Less w/approved payment record		2,200
Over 2 Weeks/Less than 2 weeks w/unapproved payment record		
Service Charge		
2 Weeks or Less (3/4" meter)		40

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2 Weeks or Less (3" meter)	130	
Over 2 Weeks (3/4" and 3" meters)	145	
Water Consumption Charge - 3/4" Meter		Current approved rate for 1,000 gallons ADC; \$30 minimum
Water Consumption Charge - 3" Meter		Current approved rate for 1,000 gallons ADC; \$195 minimum
Late Fee for Return of Meter	\$7/day	
Fee on Unpaid Temporary Fire Hydrant Meter Billings	1½%/month	
Loss/Destruction of Meter	Replacement Cost	
Loss/Destruction of Wrench	40	
15. FEE FOR TRUCK INSPECTIONS WITH ATTACHED FIRE HYDRANT METER		\$50/2 years
16. WATER TURN-OFF, TURN-ON FEE		
Small Meter Turn-Off	\$65	
Small Meter Turn-On	65	
Large Meter Turn-Off	175	
Large Meter Turn-On	175	
17. FEASIBILITY REVIEW FEE (NON-SEP)		
Feasibility Review & Report Fee Deposit (can be deferred as deficit when extension is completed)	\$7,750	
Feasibility Submission Fee (Non-Refundable)	1,250	
18. INDUSTRIAL DISCHARGE CONTROL PROGRAM FEES BY CATEGORY		
Industrial users subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards (less than 5,000 gpd) (single visit)	\$3,325	
Industrial users subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards (greater than 5,000 gpd) (double visit)	5,090	
Non-Discharging Categorical Industries (zero discharge)	895	

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Significant Industrial User (less than 25,000 gpd) (single visit – priority pollutant sampling)
3,325
Significant Industrial User (greater than 25,000 gpd) (double visit – priority pollutant sampling)
5,090
Penalty Charge for Late Fee Payment
5% of fee

**19. FEES FOR SALE OF CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS, CONTRACT SPECIFICATION BOOKS,
DRAWINGS, DESIGN MANUALS, STANDARD DETAILS, AND GENERAL CONDITIONS**

Construction Specifications/Drawings

Utility Contracts	\$15
Facility Contracts	40-450
Construction Standard Details	55
Construction General Conditions & Standard Specifications	40
SEP Construction General Conditions & Standard Specifications	40
Procurement Specifications/Drawings/General Conditions	No charge
With Routine Specifications	35-200
With Complex/Voluminous Specifications	

20. WATERSHED USE PERMIT FEES

Seasonal Watershed Use Permit	\$70
Single Day Watershed Use Permit	6
Boat Mooring (April 1 – November 15)	80
Boat Mooring (November 16 – March 31)	55
Boat/Craft Removal Fee	100
Monthly Storage Fee for Removed Boats	80
Rental for the Azalea Garden	75/4 hours
Rental for the Bio-Brick Pavilion	75/4 hours
Boarding Stable Entrance Permit	250
Adjacent Landowner Entrance Permit	80
Picnic Permit	6/groups of 1-5 persons 12/groups of 6-10 persons 18/groups of 11-15 persons

21. CALL BACK FEE (small meters, plumbers)

\$85

22. CALL BACK FEE (large meters, plumbers)

\$165

23. MISSED APPOINTMENT FEE

First Missed Appointment or Turn-On
Each Additional Missed Appointment

\$75
100

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24. PATUXENT WATERSHED CIVIL CITATION FEE (STATE MANDATED)	
First offense	\$150
Each additional offense within calendar year	300
25. CONNECTION REDEMPTION FEE	\$35
26. CONNECTION ABANDONMENT FEE	
County Roads (Except Arterial Roads) - Water	\$1,200
County Roads (Except Arterial Roads) - Sewer	1,600
State Roads and County Arterial Roads - Water	1,600
State Roads and County Arterial Roads - Sewer	2,000
27. FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTION FEE	
Controlled Access Surchage Fee	\$100/hydrant
	25
28. UTILITY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PERMIT FEE	
Minor Projects	\$.13 per linear ft.
Major Projects	.16 per linear ft.
Minimum for Major Projects	120
29. EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL TRAINING PACKAGE FEE	\$660/package
30. EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL TRAINING CERTIFICATION SESSION FEE	\$55/session, per participant
31. FEE FOR SALE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL FIELD GUIDE	\$10
32. CIVIL CITATION FEES - SEDIMENT CONTROL, THEFT OF SERVICE, AND PLUMBING CIVIL CITATIONS (STATE MANDATED)	
First Offense	\$250
Second Offense	500
Third Offense	750
Each Violation in Excess of Three	1,000

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33. CHARGE FOR PHOTOCOPIES OF WSSC DOCUMENTS (per copied page)	
Readily Available Source Material	\$.25/page (single side)
Certified Copy of Readily Available Source Material	.50/page (single side)
Scanning Documents	.25/page (single side)
(A reasonable fee may be charged for time in excess of two hours expended by WSSC in searching for requested records or preparing such records for inspection and copying.)	
34. DISHONORED CHECK FEE & ELECTRONIC PAYMENT FEE (applies to all dishonored checks and all dishonored electronic payments)	\$35
35. FIRE HYDRANT FLOW TEST FEE	
No Current Test	\$575
Current Test	75
36. SHUT DOWN/CHARGE WATER MAIN FEE	
Shut Down/Complex Water Main Fee	\$825 1,540
	\$825/document
37. RIGHT-OF-WAY RELEASE REVIEW FEE	
38. FEE FOR REVIEW AND INSPECTION OF SITE WORK POTENTIALLY IMPACTING WSSC PIPELINES	
Simple Review	\$300
Complex Review	1,725
Inspection	200/inspection
39. FEE FOR WSSC PIPELINE DESIGN MANUAL	\$90
40. CHLORINATION CONFIRMATION TEST FEE	\$200/first test 150/hour
Re-Test or Additional Tests	
41. METER REINSTALLATION CORRECTION FEE	\$310
42. SEWER METER MAINTENANCE FEE	\$9,020/year 2,255/quarter
Quarterly Calibrations	

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43. DISCHARGE AUTHORIZATION PERMIT FEE Significant Industrial User – Initial Permit Significant Industrial User – Renewal Temporary Discharge Permit (Non – SIU)	\$3,950/4 years 1,940/4 years 3,950
44. SALE OF WSSD LAWS Bound Volume Supplements	\$75 36
45. PROPERTY INSPECTION FEE	\$80
46. DESIGN REVIEW Development is More than 10 Residential Units or Commercial Development is 10 Residential Units or Less	\$6,500 3,250
47. CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FEE Re-Test or Additional Tests or Inspector Overtime	12% of estimated construction costs less design review fee \$175/hour
48. SYSTEMS INSPECTION GROUP REVIEW FEE FOR ADDITIONAL REVIEWS OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND AS-BUILTS	\$175/hour
49. EXTRA REVIEW FEE Minor Additional Reviews of Unsigned or Signed Plans (per review) Major/Splitting Additional Reviews of Unsigned or Signed Plans (per review) Per Site Utility/Minor Utility Additional Signed or Unsigned Plan Review	\$950 2,000 1,200 300
Site Utility Minor Utility Per Hydraulic Planning Analysis/Systems Planning Forecast Application Additional Review of Required Data (per application)	650 Actual
50. RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR SEP FEE	
51. HYDRAULIC PLANNING ANALYSIS AND SYSTEM PLANNING FORECAST	\$1,150 500/part 265

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52. ENVIRONMENTAL SITE REVIEW FEE With Database Search Conducted by WSSC With Database Search Submitted by Applicant	\$330 250	Total estimated design costs
53. IN-HOUSE DESIGN DEPOSIT	\$1,000	
54. PARTIAL RELEASE		Prevailing service connection fee
55. OFF-PROPERTY SERVICE CONNECTION REIMBURSEMENT		
56. SERVICE CONNECTION APPLICATION AND INSPECTION FEE (per permit)	\$1,800/water and/or sewer connection	
57. FACILITIES DESIGN GUIDELINES FEE	\$30	
58. RELOCATION DESIGN REVIEW FEE Inspection for MOU Project	\$6,500	600 minimum charge up to 4 hours
59. DISCHARGE FEE – Food Service Establishment (FSE) Full Permit FSE Best Management Practices Permit FSE	\$385 110	
60. LOBBYIST REGISTRATION FEE (STATE MANDATED)	\$100	
61. FEASIBILITY REVIEW FEE FOR ON-SITE TAKEOVER PROJECTS	\$700	
62. CREDIT CARD SURCHARGE (Applies to customer payment of any fee/charge by credit card (MasterCard and Visa) other than water and sewer billing.)	2% of amount charged	
63. FEES FOR THE PREPARATION OF HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT	\$770	
64. GOVERNMENT REFERRED PLAN REVIEW FEE Major Development – Over 10 Units Minor Development – 10 or Less Units Re-Review Fee for Major Development Re-Review Fee for Minor Development	\$1,250 600 600 300	
65. WAREHOUSE RESTOCKING FEE	\$30	

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66. RESIDENTIAL OUTSIDE METER HOUSING UPGRADE/PIPE ALTERATION	\$4,700
67. FEE FOR TRANSCRIBED TAPE OF A HEARING OR MEETING	Prevailing Fee Charged by Court Reporter
68. PRE-SCREEN RE-SUBMISSION FEE	\$275
69. CROSS CONNECTION FEE Test Report Fee (per report) Base Fee for High Hazard Commercial Water Customer (per month) Base Fee for All Other Commercial Water Customer (per month)	\$25 12 6
70. SITE UTILITY INSPECTION FEE Base Fee Pipeline (per foot)	\$1,000 5.60
71. NAME/TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP FEE	\$165
72. PROTEST FILING FEE	\$500

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SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGE

**APPROVED CHARGE
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**MAXIMUM
ALLOWABLE CHARGE**

73. System Development Charge			
Apartment			
Water	\$896	\$1,269	
Sewer	1,140	1,618	
1-2 toilets/residential			
Water	1,344	1,906	
Sewer	1,710	2,422	
3-4 toilets/residential			
Water	2,240	3,176	
Sewer	2,850	4,040	
5 toilets/residential			
Water	3,135	4,445	
Sewer	3,991	5,658	
6+ toilets/residential (per fixture unit)			
Water	88	125	
Sewer	115	164	
Non-residential (per fixture unit)			
Water	88	125	
Sewer	115	164	